No. R. 2435—*L. R.* 150-06-2, *dated* 25*th August* 1906.

The following Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, are published for general information :—

READ—

Government Notification No. R. 9172—L. R. 353-05-2, dated the 5th January 1906, sanctioning revised rules relating to the scheme for improving the Shekdari service.

No. R. 2309-21—L. R. 150-06-1, DATED BANGALORE, 20TH AUGUST 1906.

ORDER THEREON.—The rules issued on the 5th January last are found to require further revision in the following respects :—

2. The minimum educational qualification prescribed for admission, *viz.*, the passing of the Matriculation Examination, will, it is feared, exclude persons belonging to classes backward in education, such as Mahomedans who make excellent Shekdars. It is therefore proposed to lower it in such cases to the passing of the Mysore Lower Secondary Examination. It is considered unnecessary to lay down what classes are to be deemed backward in education, as no general definition is possible or necessary. The Deputy Commissioners of Districts taking action under Rule 5 will exercise their discretion in each case.

3. The differentiation of the Local Service Revenue Test into a Higher and a Lower grade, so as to meet the case of the smaller officials, for whom the present Revenue Examination is too high, is under contemplation. Candidates for Shekdari need pass the Lower grade only.

4. The standard in Engineering, prescribed in the existing rules, is found to be too high and elaborate for the class of officials under consideration; and difficulties have, moreover, been reported to exist in arranging for the training in the Mysore Engineering School of even the first batch of candidates sent to it. It is therefore proposed, firstly, to simplify the course of study, secondly, to reduce the course of training from one year to six months, and thirdly, to arrange in connection with the Police Training School at Bangalore (where facilities for teaching Drawing and Surveying to Police recruits already exist) for the formation of a regular Engineering class, with additional teachers if necessary. Admissions to the class of candidates for the Shekdari service will be made under the orders of the Revenue Commissioner on the recommendation of Deputy Commissioners of Districts.

5. The rule in regard to ability to ride has been simplified.

6. The training in Surveying will be given in the Engineering class itself, and it is considered unnecessary to attach candidates to measuring establishments or to District Surveyors.

7. It is considered inexpedient to reserve power to appoint candidates who do not possess all the qualifications on the date of their appointment, as in the existing rules.

8. The existing rules do not provide for Shekdars of the old school who are not Matriculates qualifying under the new scheme. Many of them are capable and deserving men whom it would be undesirable and unfair to shut out altogether from its scope. It is therefore provided that such persons whether belonging to Schedule B or C shall be admitted to the benefit of the new scale on their passing the Revenue Test (Lower grade) and qualifying themselves in the Engineering subjects specified in Rule 6. In order to enable them to qualify themselves in the latter respect, full pay will be given them during the period of their training in the Engineering class, on the analogy of what was ordered in the case of Police Inspectors when the Police Training School was started in 1893. Other candidates in service must possess the general educational qualification laid down, and they will be given half pay while in the Engineering class. Those who fail the first time will not be allowed the concession a second time.

9. The Revenue Commissioner will arrange in consultation with the Inspector-General of Police and the Chief Engineer for the opening of an Engineering class as early as possible in connection with the Police Training School. The Chief Engineer

will be requested to depute a qualified Public Works subordinate, competent to teach the Engineering subjects prescribed, for employment in the Police Training School; and if necessary, the Survey and Settlement Commissioner may be asked to lend the services of a Measurer for teaching surveying, measuring, the sub-dividing of fields, etc.

10. With these remarks, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to issue the following rules in supersession of those published with the Notification of 5th January 1906:—

RULES.

1. From the 1st of July 1904, the pay of Shekdars shall be Rs. 35 for the first class, Rs. 30 for the second and Rs. 25 for the third.

2. The total number of Shekdars shall be 374; and their number in each class shall not exceed the following proportion :—

Twenty per cent of the total number in the first class, *i.e.*, 75 at Rs. 35 each.
Thirty per cent of the total number in the second class, *i.e.*, 112 at Rs. 30 do.
Fifty per cent of the total number in the third class, *i.e.*, 187 at Rs. 25 do.

3. Shekdars will draw a horse allowance of Rs. 10 each per month, and the malnad allowance, wherever allowed, will continue as heretofore.

4. Every Shekdar shall keep a decent riding pony, and spend at least twenty days in every month on tour in his hobli.

5. No one shall be eligible for appointment as a Shekdar under the new scheme

(1) who has not passed a University Examination not lower than the Matriculation, unless, in the opinion of the Deputy Commissioner of the District, he belongs to a class backward in education, in which case a pass in the Mysore Lower Secondary Examination may be accepted as sufficient;

(2) who is above the age of twenty-five years, unless he be already in service;

(3) who is not pronounced physically fit by a Medical Officer not inferior in rank to a District Medical Officer;

(4) who has not passed the Local Service Revenue Examination (Lower grade);

(5) who is not able to read and write Canarese with facility.

6. (1) Candidates satisfying the conditions mentioned in Rule 5 shall undergo instruction in the following subjects for a period not exceeding six months in the Engineering class attached to the Police Training School at Bangalore: —

(1) Building—Drawing and Estimating (Elementary).
(2) Building Materials and Construction (Elementary).
(3) Mensuration (do).
(4) Earthwork, road-making and tank repairs (do).
(5) Chain surveying.

(2) Applications for admission to the Engineering class shall be made to the Deputy Commissioners of Districts, who shall satisfy themselves that the qualifications of the applicants are as laid down in Rule 5, and then forward the applications to the Revenue Commissioner for orders of admission to the class.

7. On completing the course of study prescribed in Rule 6 and obtaining a certificate of qualification therein, a candidate will be eligible for appointment as a Shekdar on the occurrence of a vacancy, provided that the Deputy Commissioner is satisfied that he is able to ride.

8. (1) Shekdars already in the service of Government, who have passed the Mysore Local Service Revenue Examination (Lower Grade) and who wish to avail themselves of the benefit of the new scale, shall be required to qualify themselves under Rule 6. During the period of their training in the Engineering class, they shall receive full pay, without allowances; and the men appointed to act in their places will receive Rs. 15 per mensem plus horse allowance and Malnad allowance if any.

(2) In the case of other persons in Government service, all the qualifications laid down in Rules 5 and 6 shall be insisted on. And during the period of their training in the Engineering class, they shall receive only half-pay, acting arrangements to fill their places being made within the remaining half.

9. In the introduction of the new service in place of the old, the existing Shekdars shall be replaced gradually, and men qualified under the rules will be appointed as vacancies occur.

10. Promotions from the third class to the second class, and from the second to the first in the new scale shall be regulated in the following manner:—

(1) Till the maximum number of vacancies is filled up in each class, two years' efficient service in one class of a Shekdar qualified as above will entitle him to promotion to the next higher class;

(2) when the full number of Shekdars in the first and second classes is appointed, promotion will be regulated by vacancies occurring from time to time, and will depend upon the comparative merits, qualifications and services of men in the lower classes.

11. No Shekdar that does not qualify himself as herein laid down shall be entitled to the pay of any of the new classes, but shall get only the pay to which he is entitled under the old Rules.

12. The following duties shall be performed by Shekdars:—

(*a*) Collecting Sayer duty where no special agency for the purpose exists, and supervising the work of Sayer Karkuns where such are employed.

(*b*) Supervising the revenue collections and the action of village servants in connection therewith.

(*c*) Supervising the preparation, issue and service of notice of demand.

(*d*) Attaching property of defaulters, under the orders of Amildars.

(*e*) Holding sales of property, under the provisions of the rules in force.

(*f*) Submitting reports, when precautionary measures for the security of land revenue have to be adopted under Sections 146 to 151 of the Land Revenue Code.

(*g*) Occasionally examining and checking the Shanbhog's Khaneshumari, Khate and Khirdi accounts and verifying the latter with the receipts granted to raiyats for the revenue paid by them.

(*h*) Occasionally examining Patel's registers of vital statistics and cattle mortality.

(*i*) Submission of reports on darkhasts for land for cultivation, building, etc.

(*j*) Sale of darkhast lands and petty items of Government miscellaneous revenue under proper authority.

(*k*) Submission of reports on the season, rainfall and other matters effecting the general condition of his hobli, with special reference to the requirements of Section 10 of the Famine Relief Code.

(*l*) Sub-dividing and plotting sub-divisions of Survey numbers.

(*m*) Testing the Pahani entries made by Shanbhogs in respect of crops and their outturn, state of boundary marks, and unauthorized use of Government water; inspecting not less than five per cent of Survey numbers in each village every year; and giving particular attention to the boundary marks of unoccupied Survey numbers.

(*n*) Enforcing the maintenance of field Survey boundary marks.

(*o*) Attending to village conservancy and sanitation and noticing encroachment on public paths.

(*p*) Maintenance of avenue trees and topes.

(*q*) Inspection of tanks, channels and minor Government buildings, and submitting reports of such inspections; and making arrangements to avert danger in emergent cases.

(*r*) Annual maintenance work to tanks and channels.

(*s*) Attending to the proper distribution of water from tanks and channels where disputes arise and no special agency for the purpose exists.

(*t*) Protection of District Forests and sandal trees.

(*u*) Supplying dak-bullocks and attending to the requirements of officers and travellers when necessary.

(*v*) Inspection of ferry boats and baskets as to their safe condition, and enforcing a strict observance of the rules prescribed regarding the management of ferries.

(*w*) Supplies to troops.

(*x*) Inspection of the Great Trigonometrical Survey Stations.

(*y*) Helping vaccinators in their work.

(*z*) Inspection of Muzrai Institutions.

(*aa*) Such other duties as may be assigned by their superior officers.

No. 1557—*Ml.* (47-06)-3, *dated* 16*th August* 1906.

The following list of Municipal Commissioners elected for Nos. II and III Divisions of the Bangalore City as the result of the re-elections held on the 3rd and 5th July 1906, respectively, is published for general information :—

No. II Balepet Division	...	1. Mr. D. B. Ramachendra Mudaliar. 2. ,, Gangaiya.
No. III Manavarthepet Division	...	1. ,, B. K. Garudachar. 2. ,, Veerabhadra Chetty.

No. R. 2367—*L. R.* 201-06-20, *dated* 21*st August* 1906.

In para 2 (6) of Notification No. R. 16166—L. R. 201-05-16, dated 21st June 1906, *for* 'Mohideen Syed Sheriff.' *read* 'Mahomed Syed Sheriff.'

No. R. 1558—*L. R.* 82-06-3, *dated* 1*st August* 1906.

Under Section 6 of the Land Acquisition Regulation, No. VII of 1894, it is hereby declared that the land described hereunder is required for a public purpose, *viz.*, for extending the Municipal limits of the Harihar town; and under Sections 7 and 3 (*c*) of the said Regulation, the Assistant Commissioner in charge of the Davangere group of taluks is authorized to take order for the acquisition of the said land :—

District—Chitaldrug.

Taluk—Davangere (Harihar-Sub-Taluk).

Hobli—Harihar.

Village—Harihar.

Name of khatedar—Shankaraiya *bin* Achappa Naik.

Survey No.—123.

Dry, wet or garden—Garden.

Total extent—Guntas 18.

Extent now required—

Extent—Guntas 18.

Assessment—Re. 1.

Boundaries—

East—Taluk Office premises

West—Achappa Naik's chattram.

North—Road.

South—Road.